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Stoll to marry supermodel Rachel Hunter

STOLLYWOOD Former Oiler Jarrett Stoll now plays his hockey in Hollywood and is reportedly planning to cement his ties to Tinseltown.

Traded to the Los Angeles Kings this summer, the 26-year-old recently made a "romantic proposal" to his New Zealand supermodel girlfriend Rachel Hunter, according to a TV report. A wedding date has not been set yet.

Hunter, 39, was also spotted wearing a giant diamond ring when she visited a school with the former Oiler, reported an Australian newspaper yesterday.

The model split with her rocker husband Rod Stewart nine years ago.

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Wii Sprint

BRENT HOFFERS

Eric Bisanz and Kelly Ness go head-to-head in a 100-metre video game sprint during the Wii Olympics held outside the CBC studio in City Centre Mall yesterday afternoon.

Oilers star to see No. hang high

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He gave goaltenders nightmares during his 10-year tenure with the Edmonton Oilers, but to cancer patients who Glenn Anderson visited in the Cross Cancer Institute, he gave hope.

One was a four-year-old leukemia patent back in 1985 when the NHL Hall-of-Famer, who used every goal he scored to raise money for cancer research, allowed her to climb in the bowl of the Stanley Cup for a photograph.

Glenn Anderson

About 23 years later, the pair had a reunion together at the institute yesterday during an announcement that will see his number nine hanging high in the rafters in Rexall Place Jan. 18 with the likes of the "other boys on the bus" — Wayne Gretzky, Jari Kurri, Mark Messier, Paul Coffey and Grant Fuhr.

"When I got on there, I thought I was a celebrity," said the now 28-year-old Alicia Maryniuk about her visit with Anderson and the Stanley Cup.

"I was so excited and I had quite a lot of treatment before that happened, but my hair grew back after that … It was fun and I am proud to say I was able to sit on the cup."

> **"I wasn't only playing for my teammates on the ice, I was also playing for them (cancer patients) … It made me a better person and a better player … I had a lot more on the line."**
> Glenn Anderson

The Oilers have also announced a new program that will give fans and businesses the chance to donate cash for every goal scored by the team this season for prostate cancer research — the same scheme Anderson came up with during the team's glory years.

"I wasn't only playing for my teammates on the ice, I was also playing for them," said Anderson while he was trying to hold back tears.

"It made me a better person and a better player … I had a lot more on the line."

The Oilers will hang Anderson's Number 9 during Sunday-night tilt with the Phoenix Coyotes.

The visiting team is coached by Gretzky and Fuhr is the team's goalie coach.

Detectives get more than a fill-up

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NABBED Two robbery detectives were in the right place, at the right time on Tuesday afternoon, when they nabbed a robbery suspect while stopping to fill their car with gas.

Just before 3 p.m., a man walked into a dollar store on 135 Avenue and Victoria Trail. He shoved a 70-year-old clerk out of the way, and snatched cash out of the store's till.

The officers, who were at a gas station across the street, heard the clerk yelling for help.

The quick-thinking officers jumped in their vehicle, and pinned the suspect, who was riding a bicycle, against a nearby fence.

Terry Laurent McKay, 33, has been charged with robbery and one count of being disguised during an offence.

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Fringe Fest gets good Vibes

Jump-starting the Edmonton International Fringe Festival this Friday, the Vibe Tribe will be dancing and shaking in a kickoff performance on the Fringe grounds in Old Strathcona at 4 p.m. Tribal style belly dancing, swords, and hula hooping are only a few of the elements in the performances, which are show-stoppers at every event. METRO EDMONTON

Local

One-night only

The Godfather of mashup music, DJ Z-TRIP will be appearing for a one-night only performance in Edmonton on Aug. 30 at the Starlite Room with support from Degree, Agent Orange, and Donovan. Advance tickets are available for $25 at Ticketmaster, Foosh, FS, Soular, Blackbyrd. METRO EDMONTON

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Art from the Fringe

11-day festival features 1,200 shows and 800 artists

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Old Strathcona businesses and residents alike are preparing to reap the Fringe benefits of the most dramatic summer festival running.

The 27th annual International Fringe Theatre Festival — dubbed the Big Kahuna — begins today, and promises 11 days of all things dramatic, elaborate, and a little risqué.

Last night, performers from three separate shows brought go-getters a sneak preview of what the Big Kahuna has in store.

"We're a sketch comedy show that loosely follows to trying to discover their family tree," said Nikolai Witschi, co-writer and main actor in Counting Leaves. "If you ever wanted to know how a cat feels when it gives itself a bath, we try to bottle that and give it to you."

BEN LEMPHERS/METRO EDMONTON

Bradley Bishop plays the Interrogator, while Joyce LaBriola plays Glenna in the Fringe Festival play Bobby Gould In Hell. Here the pair act in a sneak preview at the Accent Lounge last night.

Counting Leaves nailed one of the later set times, premiering at 11:45 p.m. tonight at the Catalyst Stage.

Performers for this year's festival were picked by lottery, and many were turned away. This year, only 100 hopefuls out of 260 were picked to perform.

"Its always thrilling to get a chance to do the Fringe. Last year I was doing a show of my own, but doing two shows is really rare. I'm excited and thrilled to be a part," said Cody Porter, actor in two shows, Oleanna and Bobby Gould in Hell.

Oleanna, a story about a college instructor who has an affair with a student failing his class, also has a later stage time, premiering at midnight tonight on the Telus stage.

The quintessential, must-have program guide doubles this year as a bus pass, and can be used to get to and from Old Strathcona during the 11 days of Fringe.

The 1,200 shows feature over 800 artists.

Tickets and programs are available at the TransAlta Arts Barns box office, or online at www.fringetheatreadventures.ca

Scheme targets women

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PYRAMID Women in Edmonton and area are being roped into a scheme that promises a big cash payout for lending thousands of dollars to a sister in need.

The scam, known as Women Helping Women, is a pyramid scheme operating under the guise of a gift exchange, police warn.

"It's just a pretty face on an ugly, old pyramid scheme that's been around for a hundred years," said RCMP Const. James Moore. "It's really flown under the radar for quite a while."

The scam is simple: Women are recruited by those that have joined before them, and are told if they give a gift between $1,000 and $5,000, the women who are the "neediest" will be given a payout, and the money will be returned to the initial "gifter."

"They say if you help women in need, you'll get a significant return on this money," Moore said.

Moore said rather than arresting those involved who don't even realize they're part of an illegal scheme, the hope is that those involved will come forward with information that might finger the ringleaders.

> **"It's just a pretty face on an ugly, old pyramid scheme."**
> Const. James Moore

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Closing arguments in rape case

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Closing arguments in the trial of Ryan Huppie were heard yesterday in Court of Queen's Bench, where defence lawyer Laurie Wood argued her client self-medicated with street drugs on an involuntary basis, because he wasn't receiving any psychiatric care, up until he admittedly raped and tried to kill his neighbour.

"Look at the man, his history and his past," Wood said. "He has a history of medication, drug and alcohol abuse, which, if he had been treated for, I would not be arguing this case."

Wood argued that Huppie is not criminally responsible for his actions, because he was in a robotic ketamine high when he climbed over his neighbour's balcony in Feb. 2004, and though he was acting and speaking as if he were coherent, he was not aware of what he was doing.

Crown prosecutor Avril Herron argued that many conclusions drawn by expert defence witnesses were hypothetical, and that there is no way to determine how much ketamine Huppie ingested the night of the crime.

"Possibilities do not meet the burden of balance of probabilities," Herron said. "Possibility is not probability."

Further, Herron argued that his actions were, in fact, goal-oriented and that he was fully aware of his actions.

"He had a crush on her and told several people about it — he even wrote her a Valentine's note," she said. "He was drinking, had just been spurned by two women, and maybe made a bet to look tough."

The victim, the Crown argued, was an extraordinary witness that used her wits to survive, while paying attention to every detail about her attacker.

The Crown also argued that Huppie is admittedly manipulative and deceptive, and that even one defence witness believed he attempted to manipulate psychological tests, and give off the impression he is insane.

decision

- Justice Terry Clackson is expected to reveal his decision on Aug. 28.

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Friends and relatives leave the funeral yesterday for Andrew Livingston O'Brien who was murdered on August 6.

Shooting victim mourned

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Andrew Livingstone O'Brien, 42, did live a fast and dirty lifestyle, say friends and family, but to his cousin Kary McLeod, it was simply "carefree."

"I wanted to help him, but I knew I couldn't," spoke McLeod in front of 40 friends and relatives during a funeral service at the Memories Funeral Home for the man who was fatally gunned down in a drug-related attack last week in Edmonton's inner city.

Andrew O'Brien

McLeod, who would give O'Brien a warm place to sleep in his home, said he grew up with the homeless man since emigrating from Jamaica while they were still in school.

O'Brien was proud of his Jamaican heritage and was described as a very intelligent man with an "attitude for gratitude," said his family.

"After hearing about Andrew's death, everything I did always reminded me of him," said McLeod while holding back tears.

O'Brien will be cremated and his remains will be sent to Jamaica where it will be buried next to his grandmother.

O'Brien is Edmonton's 17th homicide victim of the year.

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Smog-related deaths set to soar in Canada

The Canadian Medical Association said there will be more than 700,000 smog-related deaths in Canada over the next two decades. Costs of health care and lost productivity due to air pollution will top $8 billion this year alone. "Things don't seem to be getting better ... they seem to be getting worse," the CMA said. REUTERS

Canada

"I'm tremendously disappointed, (but) life goes on."

Jeremy Hinzman, U.S. army deserter, after receiving a deportation order from the Canada Border Services Agency.

Deported

American war resister Jeremy Hinzman, left, has been ordered out of the country after a four-year legal battle to earn a home in Canada.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Three aid workers killed in ambush

Suspected Taliban insurgents killed three female aid workers and their Afghan driver in an ambush yesterday, officials said. It was the bloodiest single attack on foreign humanitarian workers in Afghanistan in recent years.

Montreal's Jacqueline Kirk, 40, a Canadian-British citizen, Shirley Case, 30, of Williams Lake, B.C., and Trinidadian-American Nicole Dial, 30, died as they were travelling north towards Kabul through the province of Logar.

The three women worked for the U.S.-based International Rescue Committee (IRC).

"We are stunned and profoundly saddened by this tragic loss," said George Rupp, president of the IRC in the statement.

"Words are inadequate to express our sympathy for the families and loved ones of the victims and our devoted team of humanitarian aid workers in Afghanistan," he said.

Abdullah Wardak, Logar's governor, said the women and their driver were chased by gunmen in a Toyota Corolla who then opened fire on their vehicle.

Afghan President Hamid Karzai described the attack as carried out by non-Afghans.

"It is not in our culture to kill women, Afghans never kill women," Karzai said.

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Repatriated **Fallen soldiers home**

MIKE CASSESE/REUTERS

People gather to watch the repatriation ceremony for fallen Canadian soldiers Master Cpl. Josh Roberts and Master Cpl. Erin Doyle at CFB Trenton in Ontario yesterday.

Torontonians file blast suits

TORONTO Desperate for resolve after an explosion at a propane facility shattered their lives this weekend, some Toronto residents are seeking more than $900 million in class action lawsuits against Sunrise Propane and government bodies they feel allowed the company to operate in their neighbourhood.

At least four class action lawsuits were filed in court yesterday. Some name Sunrise Propane Industrial Gases and other companies listed as operating on the Murray Road site. Others include the City of Toronto, the province of Ontario and the Technical Standards and Safety Authority. The lawsuits came the same day the TSSA said Sunrise Propane was issued "cease and desist" orders for technical violations in 2006 — one for a hose hanging from a truck, another related to a tank-to-tank propane transfer.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

POLITICS The Conservative campaign during the last election urged the party's media buyer not to go to Elections Canada with concerns about the party's advertising spending, a Commons committee heard yesterday.

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HEALTH Older people considering major orthopedic surgery often do not tell their doctors about their fears according to a new study. Researchers at the University of Toronto found that the decision to have surgery can be particularly difficult for seniors. REUTERS

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Papal appeal

Italian animal rights campaigners are urging Pope Benedict XVI, right, to stop wearing ermine on his hats and robes, appealing to his reputation as a cat lover. They have begun an online petition currently signed by nearly 1,900 people. REUTERS

World/Business

U.S. sends Georgia aid

U.S. military planes began delivering aid to Georgia as Washington stepped up support for a shaky ceasefire with Russian troops around the breakaway region of South Ossetia.

U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was set to arrive in Tbilisi today after talks in Paris. Rice's trip comes six days into a conflict that has shifted from artillery, tank and gun battles at the weekend to increasingly sharp diplomatic and political exchanges out of Washington, Moscow and Tbilisi.

U.S. President George W. Bush, flanked by Rice and Defence Secretary Robert Gates in the Rose Garden, demanded Moscow end the crisis, abide by an agreed ceasefire and withdraw Russian troops sent into Georgia after fighting began last Thursday.

"The United States of America stands with the democratically-elected government of Georgia. We insist that the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Georgia be respected," Bush told reporters at the White House.

Moscow has denied violating a ceasefire and rejected claims its troops and armour had advanced on Tbilisi or looted the key town of Gori, 60km west of the capital and just south across the Kura river from South Ossetia's capital Tskhinvali. REUTERS

Russian ultimatum

- Russia's Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said the United States needed to choose between partnership with Moscow or the Georgian leadership, which he characterized as a "virtual project" of the Bush administration.

Business

U.S. users raising issues on iPhone reception

TELECOMS The usually polished Apple is now facing questions over the performance of its heralded iPhone 3G — namely reception quality on high-speed third-generation, or "3G," networks.

The complaints have mainly been limited to U.S. Internet blogs and chat rooms, where some users have written about dropped calls and spotty reception while using AT&T Inc.'s 3G network.

Ken Dulaney, an analyst at Gartner Research, said in an interview yesterday that his own experience using the iPhone 3G has led him to believe the issues are real.

Rogers Communications Inc. has not received any complaints about iPhone's reception from Canadian users, said Rogers spokesperson Liz Hamilton. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Democratic chairman killed in shooting

ARKANSAS The chairman of the Arkansas Democratic Party, Bill Gwatney, died in a hospital after being shot by a lone gunman at the party's headquarters in Little Rock, officials said yesterday.

Bill Gwatney

His unidentified killer also died after a high-speed chase and exchange of gunfire with police. The motive for the shooting remained unknown.

Gwatney, 48, was a former state Senator and his shooting shocked the southern state and the Democratic Party establishment.

Local media reports said the gunman had fired three shots in Gwatney's office before fleeing the scene. REUTERS

Gitmo trials place generals at odds

GUANTANAMO The U.S. military was so eager to get the sluggish Guantanamo war crimes trials moving that the legal adviser to the Pentagon overseer adopted a "spray and pray" approach to pursuing charges, a U.S. general testified yesterday.

Yesterday's testimony pitted one U.S. general against another, exposing some of the internal fractures regarding the trials. REUTERS

Cuba 82 years for Fidel

CLAUDIA DAUT/REUTERS

Children hold onto a knife to cut a birthday cake for retired Cuban leader Fidel Castro at the Pioneer's Palace yesterday in Havana. Former Cuban leader Fidel Castro turned 82 yesterday, still a world and national figure even though he has not been seen in public since falling ill two years ago.

Bomb kills 15 in Lebanon attack

BLAST At least 15 people including nine soldiers were killed in Lebanon yesterday, according to security sources, in the deadliest attack on the army since a battle with al Qaeda-inspired militants last year.

An army statement described the attack in the northern city of Tripoli as a "terrorist bombing" — a phrase used in the past by the military when it suspects militant Islamist involvement.

Security sources had earlier put the death toll at 18. REUTERS

Syria, Lebanon take next step

- Syrian President Bashar al-Assad and Lebanese President Michel Suleiman agreed yesterday to establish diplomatic relations between their countries at ambassadorial level, a Syrian official said. The two countries announced last month in Paris that they intended to open diplomatic relations for the first time since they gained independence in 1943.

News in brief

TALLEST WOMAN Seven-foot, 7-inch Sandy Allen, the world's tallest woman, died yesterday in an Indiana nursing home, a spokesman said. Allen, 53, who once appealed to Guinness World Records for help in finding a tall companion, had been ill and confined to a wheelchair for some time.

INDIAN KASHMIR Angry Muslims mourning at least 20 protesters killed by police torched security bunkers and rioted in Indian Kashmir's main city yesterday as a land row with Hindus revived calls for independence. Muslim Pakistan, which controls part of Kashmir, condemned the violence. REUTERS

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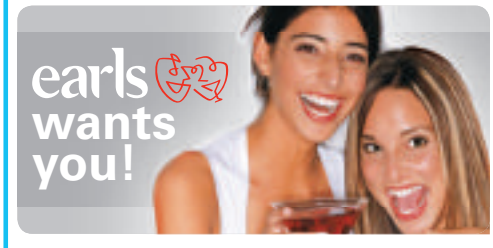

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Tennis

Swiss star Roger Federer erased the bitter memory of his loss to Tomas Berdych at the Athens Olympics four years ago when he beat the Czech 6-3, 7-6 yesterday to reach the quarter-finals of the men's singles. REUTERS

Beijing Games

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Lack of funds hamstring Canada

Are our elite athletes cursed or is cash shortage to blame for our medal drought?

YorkReport

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The entire Canadian team, it seems, will collect fewer medals at the Beijing Olympics than U.S. swimmer Michael Phelps.

And this, I suggest, sucks.

Our athletes are emulating our dollar, falling shamefully below the Americans.

Even Calgary resident Mike Brown came oh-so-close to a medal early this morning in the men's 200-metre breaststroke, but is also without any hardware. He was fourth.

Perhaps these are pleasant days for manufacturers of anti-depressants in this country, but I can't think of any other Canadians who could possibly be enjoying what's been happening to our representatives in Beijing.

Brent Hayden was supposed to be a savior of sorts, right? A world-class swimmer from B.C. who tied for gold in the 100-metre freestyle at last year's world aquatic championship, Hayden gave us hope, especially in his commercials. But he didn't even earn the chance to swim for a medal after fizzling in the semifinal. He also was part of the Canadian men's 4x200-metre relay swim team, which finished a disappointing fifth.

Hayden has assured us in interviews that he'll get over his disappointment. But will we?

What if all 300-plus Canadian Olympians follow Hayden's strokes and come up short in China?

I mean, this is like a bad nightmare. Or a swift kick to the testicles.

Even if you don't have any.

Just ask Canadian fencer Sherraine Schalm, who entered the Olympics ranked fifth in her sport but who was subdued by Hungary's Ildiko Mincza-Nebald.

"It's like I imagine being a man, it's like being kicked in the nuts repeatedly," Schalm lamented after her loss. "You feel like you want to curl up and die."

Who's cursed Canada?

Our field hockey team was ahead of Pakistan 1-0 before losing 3-1. And then Canadian player Ravi Kahlon got the horrifying news that his 39-year-old uncle died in a car accident in India.

And on and on it goes for Canada.

How come?

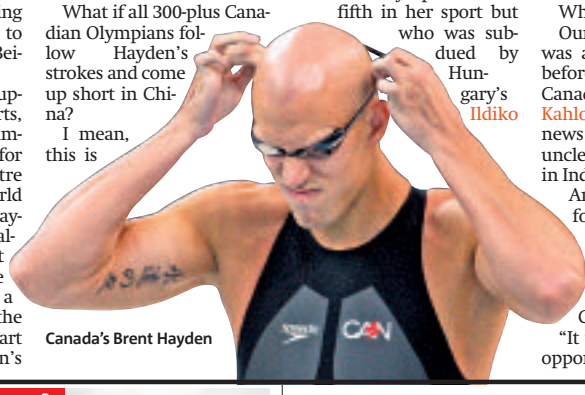
Well, a shortage of funds is the predominant feeling among Canada's athletes.

"It takes money to create opportunities, and more and more countries are streamlining funds to where the medals are," said Anna Rice, a Canadian badminton player whose stint in Beijing was short and not-so-sweet. "I think that's sad."

It is, especially for Canadian women, who don't receive as much financial support as their male counterparts. That's an issue on which I'll elaborate in a York Report in the near future.

In the meantime, for whatever reasons, our Olympians stink. Worse than China's air. And that's awfully bad.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.



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Brown fails to break goose egg

Swimmer Mike Brown had held out the tantalizing hope of a medal to finally dent the goose egg put up by Canada at the Beijing Olympics.

The Calgary resident looked so good in the semifinal a day earlier when he was the second-fastest qualifier with a time of 2:08.84 — one second faster than the Canadian record he'd set in the opening heat. Only three swimmers in history had ever gone faster.

The 24-year-old looked like a different swimmer in that race, showing a lot of power in every stroke as he ate up a lot of ground in the pool. The question was, did he shoot his best bullet before the final?

Hard to know for sure, this we do know: Brown just didn't have enough to get on the podium. He fell just 9/100ths of a second short in the men's 200-metre breaststroke final won for a second straight time by Kosuke Kitajima of Japan.

Brown was fourth at every split in the race and, in the end, that's exactly where he ended up. Another fourth-place finish, seemingly the bane of Canada's existence as an Olympic sport nation.

SHAUN BEST/REUTERS

Calgary resident Mike Brown reacts after the 200-metre breaststroke final early this morning in Beijing. He finished in fourth place, just 9/100ths off of the bronze.

Kitajima led throughout the race to win in a time of two minutes, 7.64 seconds, off his own world record. Brenton Rickard of Australia took the silver in 2:08.88, while Hugues Duboscq of France out-touched Brown at the wall to take the bronze in 2:08.94. Brown was fourth in 2:09.03.

Also in the pool this morning, Edmonton's Annamay Pierse finished third in her women's 200-metre breaststroke semifinal and qualified for the final. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Sports in brief

ROWING Canada's David Calder and Scott Frandsen advanced to the men's pairs final after an impressive semifinal victory yesterday in Beijing. Calder and Frandsen will go for gold on Saturday. The women's eight rowing crew also earned a berth in the final with a first place finish in their repechage race yesterday. Their final is Sunday.

BASEBALL Scott Thorman of Cambridge, Ont., homered and drove in three runs to lift Canada past China 10-0 in their opening game of the preliminary round of Olympic men's baseball action yesterday in Beijing. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Medal count

Rank	Nation				Total
#1	U.S.	10	8	11	29
#2	China	17	5	5	27
#3	South Korea	6	6	1	13
#4	Australia	4	2	6	12
#5	Russia	2	7	3	12
#6	Italy	4	4	3	11
#7	France	1	7	3	11
#8	Germany	6	1	2	9
#9	Japan	4	2	3	9
#10	Britain	2	2	3	7
#11	North Korea	1	2	4	7
#12	Netherlands	1	1	3	5
#13	Romania	1	1	2	4
#14	Switzerland	1	0	3	4
#15	Ukraine	0	0	4	4
#16	Georgia	2	0	1	3
#17	Azerbaijan	1	2	0	3
#18	Zimbabwe	0	3	0	3
	Canada	0	0	0	0

(Count at the end of Day 5)

Tigers' Zumaya goes on disabled list

The Detroit Tigers placed relief pitcher Joel Zumaya on the 15-day disabled list yesterday with a sore right shoulder. On the season, the 23-year-old is 0-2 with a 3.47 earned run average in 21 contests.. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

Cavs acquire guard Williams

The Cleveland Cavaliers picked up point guard Mo Williams, left, yesterday in a three-team trade with the Milwaukee Bucks and Oklahoma City. The Cavs parted ways with guard Damon Jones and forward Joe Smith. Jones will land in Milwaukee, along with former Oklahoma City point guard Luke Ridnour and swingman Adrian Griffin. Oklahoma City will receive Smith and Bucks forward Desmond Mason. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Local named cannonball champion

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Edmonton can again rightly claim title to it's nickname, the City of Champions, thanks to a heavyweight native son.

'Cannonball' Doug Bergman walked away with the first-place spot at the fourth-annual Trident Splash Cannonball Championship held yesterday at Toronto's Ashbridge Bay, Donald D. Summerville Pool.

The 29-year-old rehab practitioner has been practising for the event for months, and credits his costume designer and coaching team for the win.

Often, Bergman will jump into a body of water wearing either leiderhosen or a pink ballerina's tutu.

Bergman walks away from the competition with $2,000 in cash and bragging rights.

The Edmonton native beat out ten other competitors for the title, and took away the championship spot from former two-time cannonball champ, Brian Utley, a Calgarian.

MARK BLINCH/REUTERS

Doug Bergmann of Edmonton competes in the Trident Splash Cannonball Championship in Toronto, yesterday. Bergmann went on to win the competition

Sports in brief

MLB The Red Sox placed third baseman Mike Lowell on the 15-day disabled list with a strained right oblique muscle yesterday, one day after Lowell left in the seventh inning of Boston's wild 19-17 win over the Texas Rangers.

NFL The Denver Broncos signed defensive back Tyrone Poole yesterday. Per team policy, terms of the deal were not released. Poole spent the 2006 season with the Oakland Raiders and appeared in 12 games during which he amassed 15 tackles and one interception. He did not play in the NFL during the 2007 season.

TENNIS Argentine Juan Martin Del Potro scrambled to a 6-0, 5-7, 6-2 victory over Israel's Dudi Sela in the second round of the ATP event in Washington yesterday, extending his winning streak to 16 matches.

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MLB

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Toronto 4 Detroit 3
Baltimore 6 Cleveland 1
Boston 8 Texas 4
Chicago White Sox 4 Kansas City 0
Minnesota 4 N.Y. Yankees 2
Tampa Bay at Oakland
Seattle at L.A. Angels

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Chicago Cubs 10 Atlanta 2 (1st gm)
Chicago Cubs 8 Atlanta 0 (2nd gm)
Houston 6 San Francisco 2
N.Y. Mets 12 Washington 0
Pittsburgh 5 Cincinnati 2
St. Louis 6 Florida 4
Colorado 6 Arizona 5
Milwaukee at San Diego
Philadelphia at L.A. Dodgers

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Toronto at Detroit, 11:05
Kansas City at Chicago White Sox, 12:05
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 1:35
Texas at Boston, 5:05
Baltimore at Cleveland, 5:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE
San Francisco at Houston, 1:05
Arizona at Colorado, 1:05
Milwaukee at San Diego, 1:35
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 5:05
Chicago Cubs at Atlanta, 5:10
N.Y. Mets at Washington, 5:10
St. Louis at Florida, 5:10
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House & Home

The aesthetics of rain absorption

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Craig Marshall of Marshall Homes is shown mowing the driveway at the firm's LEED-certified model house. A sturdy honeycombed structure under the grass lets you park without compacting and damaging the roots.

Having a lush, green garden is certainly a sight for sore eyes — but handling extra rain overflow is also imperative, especially in a large city where huge amounts of land are covered in paving, concrete and other impervious surfaces that do not allow water to absorb into the soil.

Goodness knows that a failure to handle extra stormwater can wreak havoc both at home and throughout a city — washing away soil and damaging plants, flooding basements, and overwhelming storm sewers, flooding low-lying areas and polluting the stormwater that eventually finds its way into rivers and lakes.

Not good for taxpayers, and certainly not good for the environment.

But don't despair. We've seen plenty of stylish opportunities that allow homeowners to do their part to handle that extra rainwater that often seems to come down in short, intense showers these days.

Here are a few great ideas to reduce the destructive effects of runoff:

Rain gardens

Consider a rain garden. A nice-sounding name for a lovely idea and good-looking addition to any garden, it is a planted depression designed to absorb excess runoff from hard surfaces like roofs, impervious paved driveways and walkways and compacted grassy areas. It mimics a natural ecosystem that allows rainwater absorption rather than funneling it into storm sewers.

The plants are usually hardy native plants that can tolerate both dry and wet conditions, such as wildflowers, sedges, rushes, ferns, shrubs and small trees. Water is taken up by these plants, then filters down through the soil.

A rain garden should be located in a low spot so that runoff naturally flows down into this area. Even a small rain garden can be effective in handling excess rainwater.

Drainage channel

Swales or shallow, grassy drainage channels (rather than a flat or sloped lawn) slows down the rate of flow so that water is more likely to absorb into the soil.

Rain barrels

Rainwater from your roof can also be directed into a rain barrel, from which you can water your plants or use it to irrigate.

But please do finish them in a pleasing fashion — old plastic olive barrels do the job, but they must be prettily dressed to make your garden look great, as it should.

Consider wood planking or fencing for an organic look, or latticework grown with vines to camouflage. Rain barrels may also be covered troughs custom-made of stainless steel or other metal finishes.

The possibilities are truly endless. But all rain collection devices should have tight covers to prevent mosquitoes, and they should have an overflow valve and a system to handle excess water.

Permeable paving

Another idea is to use permeable paving for your driveway and walks. The best way to allow rainfall to absorb is to use concrete paving stones with a centre hole.

These can look smashing with low-growing mosses and grasses planted in the holes. Other options include gravel, or open-jointed stones with gravel underneath, or permeable pavers — almost anything is better than solid paving or concrete.

Grow a green roof

A green roof is a great way to add greenery and lushness to an otherwise dull concrete jungle — and absorb some of the water that falls on your roof.

When these appear on numerous rooftops as they do in some urban areas of Germany, the visual effect on the cityscape is stunning. It involves growing vegetation in a thin layer of soil on top of a waterproof membrane on a roof. Contact your city's planning department for advice on building one in your area.

Tammy Schnurr and Jeffrey Fisher are hosts of Arresting Design on W Network.

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Food

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Summer corn stars in sidedish

À la carte

Barb Holland
Metro Food Writer

Does any vegetable say summer like corn on the cob? There are many ways to cook fresh corn. My preference is in the husk right on the barbecue, cooked until the husks are lightly charred and the kernels tender.

Should you have any corn leftover, try it in this recipe — ideal with grilled ribs.

Corn and Cheese Pudding

This is a good side dish for grilled ribs, chicken or pork. Kick it up with a few dashes of hot pepper sauce. Makes 4 servings.

INGREDIENTS:
- 1/2 red pepper, diced
- 2 green onions, sliced
- 2 tsp (10 mL) butter or vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) cornmeal
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) salt
- pinch pepper
- 1 cup (250 mL) milk
- 1 cup (250 mL) cooked corn kernels
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) shredded aged Cheddar cheese
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- Few dashes hot pepper sauce, if desired

METHOD:

In a microwaveable bowl, combine red pepper, green onion, butter or oil and microwave 2 to 4 minutes at High, or until softened.

In a 4 cup (1 L) round microwaveable bowl, whisk together cornmeal, salt, pepper and milk. Microwave, uncovered at High for 3 to 5 minutes or until mixture comes to a boil and thickens. Stir partway through cooking. Stir corn and cheese into cornmeal mixture until smooth. Stir in egg, red pepper mixture and hot sauce.

Microwave, uncovered at Medium (50 per cent) for 4 to 6 minutes or until mixture is firm. Stir gently partway through cooking. Let stand about 5 minutes before serving.

Tips:
- Storage: The sugar in corn starts to turn into starch the moment it is picked. If you must keep it, wrap in a plastic bag and refrigerate. Use within 2 days.
- Did you know? The average yield from a stalk of corn is usually 2, sometimes 3 cobs. An ear of corn averages 800 kernels in 16 rows.
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Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

Shredded cheese and cooked corn are the primary players in this savoury pudding — a great accompanying dish for juicy, grilled ribs, chicken or pork.

Stocked, shortcuts and steaming

With people spending more time at work and less time with their families, eating a healthy meal can be challenging.

Here are some tips from Sandi Richard, international best-selling author and host of Fixing Dinner on Food Network:

Keep your pantry and fridge stocked with the essentials:

Whether it's chicken stock, eggs, ground meat, fresh or frozen veggies, brown rice or chicken breast, there are certain items to which we often turn when preparing meals. Having these items on hand is the first step in being able to whip up a healthy meal in minutes.

Take shortcuts:

Let's face it; most people don't have time to prepare homemade meals from scratch every day. From pre-washed and pre-cut veggies, to shredded cheese or varieties of sauce in a jar, there is a myriad of shortcuts you can take to cut down on prep time.

Get steamy with it:

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Asian Vegetable Medley

INGREDIENTS:
- 1 (450 mL (15 oz) can baby corn, drained
- 90 mL (1/3 cup) thinly sliced celery (about 1 stalk)
- 125 mL (1/2 cup) snap peas
- 360 mL (1 1/2 cup) sliced red pepper (about 1 medium pepper)
- 175 mL (3/4 cup) carrot matchsticks (about 5 cm (2 in) long and 6 mm (1/4 in) wide)

METHOD:

Combine in a large Ziploc Zip 'n Steam microwave steam cooking bag the baby corn, thinly sliced celery, snap peas, sliced red pepper and carrot matchsticks. Seal bag and shake gently to distribute ingredients. Place bag in microwave.

Microwave on full power for 2 1/2 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender. If needed, microwave for additional 30 second intervals until vegetables reach desired tenderness.

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the dress

Wondering what to wear to a summer wedding? We all want to look our best but remember outshining the newlyweds is a faux pas so steer clear of anything way above the knee and anything too low cut. Look for dresses that are simple and that have a classic silhouette to them. August is the perfect time to shop as stores are getting rid of their spring and summer stock so hit up the sales and grab your size before you hit the celebration.

the bag

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- Nicki, Brampton, Ont.

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Mommy dearest
Oscar winner Ellen Burstyn has been cast as Detective Stabler's bipolar mother on Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. A source hints that Burstyn's visit to the series will be "explosive." TVGUIDE.COM

Entertainment

New claws

Billy Bob Thornton will star as Freddy Krueger in a remake of the 1984 film Nightmare On Elm Street. IMDB.COM

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Mike Gordon

Album: The Green Sparrow
Label: Rounder
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕

PHISH'S MIKE Gordon never got the same props as guitarist Trey Anastasio did, but there's no doubt the accomplished bassist was an integral part of the band. Just listen to his second solo album — it sounds like it was taken straight from his former group's catalogue. The Green Sparrow isn't nearly as quirky as his debut — which is a good thing — instead the Vermont-based rocker offers up an eclectic concoction of jazz and easy listening with loads of blistering solos. Anastasio and Phish keyboardist Page McConnell help out, but it's Gordon who shines.

Bryan Borzykowski

CDReviews

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Snailhouse

Album: Lies On The Prize
Label: Unfamiliar/Sonic Unyon
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕

WHETHER SOMETIME Wooden Stars guitarist Mike Feuerstack has subconsciously tapped into his inner Tom Petty circa Wildflowers this time around, remains to be seen. But of all the recordings from Feuerstack's side project since 1994, this sixth effort veers closest to accessible smart pop. But what shines through all the understated simplicity are some charming ear-catching melodies, whip-smart writing and a well-placed rocker to break some of the acoustic excess. **Ian Nathanson**

The Pack A.D.

Album: Funeral Mixtape
Label: Mint
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

JUST BECAUSE THE blues rock duo section of the record store is getting overcrowded (White Stripes, Black Keys, etc…) doesn't mean one more fiery twosome can't be squeezed onto the shelf. Vancouver's Becky Black and Maya Miller, a.k.a. The Pack A.D, can't compete with The White Stripes, but there's still a lot to like about this band. Here, the group crank things up offering listeners a healthy dose of southern blues mixed with loud distorted guitars and bright vocal wails. While their axemanship could be better, this is still a fun record to rock out to. **Bryan Borzykowski**

Mardeen

Album: Read Less Minds
Label: Aporia
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

FOR SUCH A little place, Cape Breton has produced more than its fair share of great Canadian Celtic and country musicians. It was only a matter of time before some nerdy teen put down the fiddle bow and barricaded himself into the nearest garage with two cousins and some ampage to work out some really interesting indie rock. So it is with Mardeen's Read Less Minds, a debut album that has been apparently sitting on the shelf for two years waiting for a distributor. Can't wait to hear what this band sounds like now.

Graham Rockingham

Jonas Brothers

Album: A Little Bit Longer
Label: Hollywood/Universal
Rating: ⊕⊕

THERE'S NOTHING REALLY wrong with kids listening to this stuff. Every generation, going back to the Ricky Nelson kids of the '50s, has had to endure this kind of corporate brainwashing. Unfortunately, a few years from now our children will be waking up feeling oily and used. And one day, they'll grow up and be forced to admit that they pressured their parents into spending hundreds of dollars on Jonas Brothers CDs, tickets and merchandise. But, hey parents, you can say "No." Eventually they'll appreciate your actions. A Little Bit Longer is exactly how long this boy band will remain in the limelight. **Graham Rockingham**

Malil charged in ex's stabbing

LEGAL Actor Shelley Malil has been charged with attempted murder after he allegedly stabbed his ex-girlfriend more than 20 times, imdb.com reports.

Malil remains in custody on $2-million US bail and was charged on the counts of attempted murder with special circumstances of premeditation, causing great bodily injury and using a deadly weapon on Tuesday.

The 40-Year-Old Virgin star reportedly stabbed Kendra Beebe repeatedly at her home in San Diego, Calif., on Sunday.

The actor allegedly fled the scene and was arrested on Monday as he caught a train to meet his attorney in Oceanside, Calif.

Malil was scheduled to be arraigned yesterday in Vista, Calif.

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In brief

MUSIC Tina Turner has recorded two new songs for a compilation CD that will be released just in time for the Oct. 1 start of her comeback tour in Kansas City, Mo. It Would Be a Crime and I'm Ready will be found on Tina!, due Sept. 30 via Capitol. They join 16 hits spanning Turner's career, including Nutbush City Limits and What's Love Got To Do With It. **REUTERS**

PEOPLE Soul music star Isaac Hayes, 65, died from a stroke related to high blood pressure, Memphis, Tenn., authorities have said. Hayes, who died in Memphis on Sunday, was being treated for high blood pressure and had suffered a non-fatal stroke last year. **REUTERS**

TV ABC is developing a TV series based on the hit Jennifer Lopez romantic comedy Maid in Manhattan. Lopez will serve as an executive producer of the hourlong comedy-drama, which has received a pilot commitment. In the 2002 feature, she played a struggling single mother from the Bronx who works as a maid at a swanky Manhattan hotel. **REUTERS**

MoreOnline
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	17	TREE	553	546	Little Bear	Miss Spider	Comfy Couch	Rolie Polie Olie	Beren. Bears	Dragon (DVS)	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
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	29	FOOD	603	561	Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Secret Life of	Secret Life of	Ace of Cakes		Iron Chef America		Unwrapped
	31	SHOW	617	522	Trailer Park	Billable Hours	ReGenesis "Let It Burn"		Intelligence (HDTV)		G-Spot	Exes & Ohs	Secret Diary
	32	DISC	520	505	(6) MythBusters		MythBusters		Daily Planet		Sport Science		MythBusters
	33	SLICE	601	562	Last 10	Bulging Brides	The Biggest Loser		Rich Bride, Poor Bride		Last 10	Bulging Brides	Biggest Loser
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	36	BRAVO	620	523	Glengarry Glen Ross ★★★ (1992, Drama) Al Pacino.				Law & Order		Without a Trace		Entourage
	38	SPIKE	628	584	TNA iMPACT! (N)				UFC Unleashed		Real Vice	Real Vice	Whacked Out
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	50	STAR	621	527	Katie & Peter: Next Chapter		The Ellen DeGeneres Show		Madonna 10	TMZ	Katie & Peter: Next Chapter		Hollywood
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critics'corner

Private Practice
Aw, ain't lust grand? Addison (Kate Walsh) can't seem to stop thinking about Pete (Tim Daly), but she also can't go along with what Naomi and Violet (Audra McDonald, Amy Brenneman) are suggesting to deal with it. Maya (Shavon Kirksey) and a friend show up with a very grown-up problem. Sam (Taye Diggs) treats a woman who wants a drug to help her forget the trauma of a home invasion, and Pete treats a student athlete who refuses medication. 11 PM on KXLY

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation
The "miniature killer" is causing maxi headaches for the investigators in "Monster in the Box." First, they learn they didn't get their man after all — the guy who confessed is dead, but another crime-scene replica has turned up. And unlike the others, this one is delivered before the crime. While the team scrambles to find the killer before he acts again, Grissom (William Petersen) blames himself for being away when the package came. 10 PM on CFRN KREM

Grenier relationship grinds to a halt

Actor Adrian Grenier and his girlfriend, Transformers 2 star Isabel Lucas, have broken up. The pair split about three weeks ago. "It wasn't working out," says a source. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Cruz? Beautiful?

BEAUTY Actress Penelope Cruz doesn't think she is beautiful, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Cruz insists despite being one of the world's most famous sex symbols, she doesn't think she is attractive.

"I don't think I am beautiful," she says. "I can look good and I can look ugly. What's funny is that when I was younger, I wanted everyone to look at me. Now, I like to watch other people because you can learn a lot of interesting things."

Cruz, who is dating Oscar-winning actor Javier Bardem, also revealed she has no plans to marry the star.

"I don't know if I believe in marriage," she told Parade.com.

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celebrity brief

Cruise too pricey

CASTING Tom Cruise's role in Edwin A. Salt has reportedly been recast for Angelina Jolie because studio bosses fear he has grown too old to play a movie hero, imdb.com reports.

It was announced earlier this week that the script would be rewritten to cater for Jolie.

According to the New York Post, Cruise , 46, is no longer as marketable to youth audiences and has become too expensive.

A source tells the newspaper, "Cruise is begging for (Mission Impossible: 4) but Paramount wants a younger, cheaper guy."

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Kravitz has no plans to join Velvet Revolver

MUSIC Lenny Kravitz is still denying that he's set to join supergroup Velvet Revolver, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer fuelled speculation he'll be Scott Weiland's replacement in the band after he joined Slash and his mates in the studio.

However, Kravitz won't be fronting Velvet Revolver any time soon as he tells RollingStone; "I know and love the Velvet Revolver guys, but there is no truth to the story about me joining their band."

Kravitz isn't the only singer linked to the band — former Skid Row star Sebastian Bach and Spacehog's Royston Langdon have also been named as possible Weiland replacements.

Weiland was reportedly kicked out of the band in April after fighting with his bandmates.

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GETTY IMAGES PHOTOS

Low-key love for LiLo

RELATIONSHIPS Actress Lindsay Lohan and her close friend Samantha Ronson have vowed never to talk about their relationship, insisting it is a "private matter," imdb.com reports.

The pair has often been photographed holding hands and cuddling, leading to speculation that they are more than friends.

DJ Ronson insists the way their relationship has been documented in the media is often incorrect, but she refuses to clear up rumours they are a couple.

"I stay away from the tabloids. I'm not going to talk about Lindsay because she's my friend, you know? She's great. She's also 22 years old. I think people forget that," she tells Harper's Bazaar. "With the Internet the way it is, one second we're enemies, one second we're best friends, one second we're lovers, and then we're broken up."

And Lohan has also broken her silence about her relationship with the 31-year-old — but only to insist that she will never divulge any of their secrets.

Referring to Ronson's family, Lohan says in an e-mail to the publication, "I love the Ronsons. They're close to my heart … Samantha and my relationship is a private matter."

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celebrity brief

Hathaway happy

STATUS Anne Hathaway says being considered a sex symbol is an "unexpected" pleasure, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

"It's unexpected that anyone could think I'm a sex symbol. I think that anybody who went to high school with me would be very surprised!" the actress said.

"I'm so happy that I'm a 25-year-old working actress and that now people are starting to say I have brains. I always thought people believed I could only do one thing."

Hathaway said she first got into acting after being encouraged by her parents.

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Taking Tori's side

TELEVISION Jennie Garth is "disappointed" her former Beverly Hills, 90210 co-star Tori Spelling won't be a part of the TV show's remake, and she's upset by reports a salary feud was to blame for her pal's decision to quit, imdb.com reports.

Garth, who reprises her role as Kelly Taylor on the revamped 90210, was looking forward to working with Spelling again and was upset to hear the actress, who was set to return as Donna Martin, had quit the project.

She tells Ew.com she's disappointed by online reports Spelling dropped out of the new U.S. series after failing to land the payday Garth and Shannen Doherty were offered to reprise their characters from the original show.

"The press thinks we're at war over salary with Tori. I didn't know I was at war with Tori," Garth says.

"I'm really bummed because I love Tori and I was psyched Tori was going to be on the show. I think she should definitely get paid as much as either of us is getting paid. Her father created the show.

"It just seems wrong if that's the case. I don't know what really happened because I haven't talked to her."

Spelling reportedly quit the new show after she discovered Garth and Doherty had been offered double her salary.

But Doherty disputes the figures.

"They didn't even get the numbers right, so I don't know if it's about the money."

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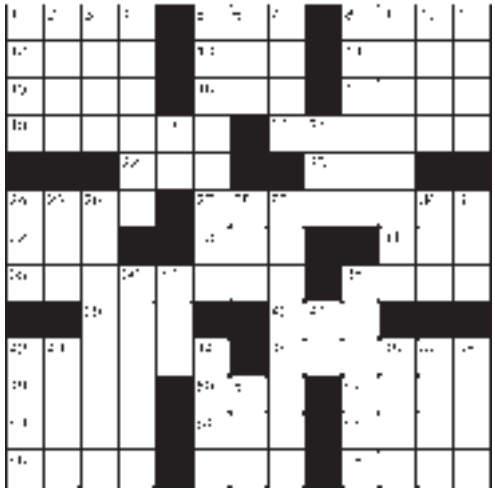
John and Jen enter splitsville?

Jennifer Aniston has reportedly been dumped by her rocker boyfriend John Mayer. The pair became romantically linked earlier this year, with the actress claiming she'd never been happier than with her new beau. IMDB.COM

Take Five



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2 Zits
3 Stylish
4 Alaskan island
5 Napoleon's downfall
6 McKinley's first lady
7 Frat-party garb
8 Atomic clock element
9 Disembarkation site
10 Caspian Sea feeder
11 Catch sight of
19 Circle ratio
21 Scoundrel
24 Torme or Tillis
25 Savings-plan acronym
26 Cell-phone alternative
28 Schedule abbr.
29 Full exposure
30 "Flying Down to —"
31 St. Bernard's burden
36 Jenny Craig patron
37 Meadow
38 Belt fastener
41 Yours truly
42 Hunger throe
43 Medley
44 Present time?
46 Tense
47 Actress Jessica
48 Rod partner
51 Barcelona bear

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Crossword across

1 Dorsal area
5 Humour
8 Hint
12 Reverberate
13 Commotion
14 Dumbo's "wings"
15 Oklahoma city
16 Playground game
17 Child's play
18 Cookbook entry
20 With tartness
22 Melody
23 "Ariadne — Naxos"
24 Coconut juice
27 Historical building
32 Pitching stat
33 Sch. named for an evangelist
34 Whopper
35 Fred Mertz, e.g.
38 Web journal
39 Conk out
40 Cassowary kin
42 Old-fashioned bladed weapon
45 Ambrosia eater's quaff
49 Settled down
50 Larry's pal
52 Hardy cabbage
53 Prime-time hour
54 Fool
55 Garage task
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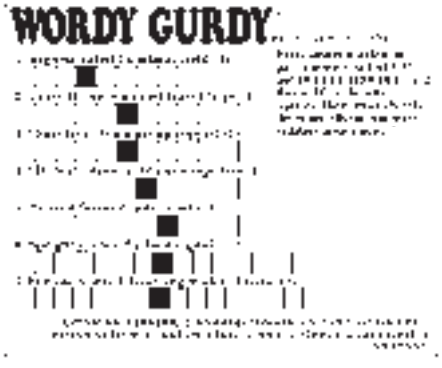
57 "Mayday!"
58 List-ending abbr.

previous day's answer

WORDY GURDY



This day in history

AUG. 14, 1846: The Cape Girardeau meteorite, a 2.3 kg chondrite-type meteorite, strikes near the town of Cape Girardeau in Cape Girardeau County, Missouri.
AUG. 14, 1880: Cologne Cathedral, the most famous landmark in Cologne, Germany, completed.
AUG. 14, 1885: Japan's first patent is issued to the inventor of a rust-proof paint.
AUG. 14, 1935: United States Social Security Act passes, creating a government pension system for the retired.
AUG. 14, 2003: Widescale power blackout in the northeast United States and Canada.

Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
A friend calls to demand political action. Don't cause headaches by being too insistent. A feeling of loss will dissipate.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
A friend calls to demand political action. Don't cause headaches by being too insistent. A feeling of loss will dissipate.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Agreements are damaged by an outlandish plan. Make sure everyone knows where you are. Get information on a suspicious person.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Be firm with a disappointed friend. Strange games are afoot. Mental activity results from a maniacal misfortune.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
A loving interlude can be magnificent. Take a leadership role in group activities. Things will go bump in the night.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A birthday party can lead to romance. A forced change is frustrating. Dealing with brokers leads to reduction of reserves.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
A charming person gives a reason to cheer up. Someone's attraction goads you into taking action. A lucky break comes at last.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24- NOV 22
Risk-taking can't be avoided. A co-worker gets an unexpected bonus. You may have to cancel a planned rendezvous.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23- DEC 21
You want to escape but there's too much to do. A lost person takes priority over your needs. An issue of crudeness erupts.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
An aching back gets your attention. A secret message makes everything topsy-turvy. A mix-up causes a hurried departure.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Wading through banality will tire you. Menial chores can cause depression. Go to someone else's place to play.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MAR 20
A grinning girl jumps to conclusions. An authority figure is responsible for a strange response. Others are surprised by your ideas.

Sudoku

8			6	1				
4				9		1	2	
	6				5			
1						6	4	9
			3		8			
2	7	4						5
			5				8	
	1	3		8				4
				2	1			3

HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU:
The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

previous day's answer

1	5	9	3	2	4	6	7	8
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5	6	2	7	3	8	1	9	4
9	1	8	4	5	6	2	3	7
8	7	1	2	6	5	3	4	9
3	2	6	9	4	7	8	5	1
4	9	5	8	1	3	7	6	2

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:

Under 13. . . . . Genius
13-17 . . . . . Scholar
17-21. . . . . Smart
21-25. . . . . Not bad
25+ . . . . . Keep practising

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Edmonton weather

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Afternoon	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sunny. 27°	Clear. Low 12°	Sunny. 27°/ 13°	Sunny. 28°/ 12°	Sunny. 29°/ 18°

Temperature
Normals
High: 22.8°
Low: 9.4°

Records
High: 31.7°/1939
Low: 1.1°/1884

Sunrise: 6:12 a.m.
Sunset: 9:03 p.m.
Moonset: 3:14 a.m.
Moonrise: 8:24 p.m.

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